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This statement is filed pursuant to:

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This information disclosure statement is filed either (1) within three months of the filing date of the national application; (2) within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.491 in an international application; (3) before the mailing date of a first office action on the merits, or (4) before the mailing of a first Office action after the filing of an RCE under § 1.114, whichever event occurs last.

Accordingly, this information disclosure statement requires no fee and no certification.

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An additional statement regarding these items of information ☐ ( ) is, ☒ (X) is not, enclosed.

Copies of the cited documents ☒ (X) are enclosed, ☐ ( ) are of record in parent application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ and will be provided if the Examiner deems it convenient.

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